

SEASON'S GREETINGS

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Irma, Alberta, Friday, December 19, 1947

M. D. Wainwright Council Minutes

The council of the municipal district of Wainwright, No. 61, met in the council chamber of the municipal district on Thursday, December 11, at 10:00 a.m. Councillors Dalyn, Spencer, Sutherland, Taylor, Smale, Arthur and Archibald present. Reeve Sutherland in the chair.

Arthur—That the minutes of November 13, 1947, be adopted as written. Cd.

Smale—That the accounts as presented by the finance committee, amounting to \$32,571.91, and the subsequent accounts as dealt with by the council, be passed and paid. Cd.

Taylor—That the secretary advise the date when we expect the Waterous Ltd. to send their repairman to install the cab on the A.D. grader. Cd.

Archibald—That the account of Dr. H. G. Folkins be held until outstanding accounts have been satisfactorily dealt with. Cd.

Sutherland—That the statement of receipts and expenditures month ending November 30, 1947, be accepted as read and incorporated in the minutes. Cd.

Taylor—That Charles Wilbraham be appointed returning officer for the 1948 municipal and hospital elections. Cd.

Correspondence to and from the federal M.P. for Battle River re 1946 P.F.A. 46-9-4 read and noted. Sutherland—That the cancellations amounting to \$66.27 be approved. Cd.

Sutherland—That the reserve bid on lots offered for sale Central Park, be \$200.00 per lot. Cd.

As per the advertisement in the Alberta Gazette, issue of October 15, 1947, parcels of land were offered for sale by public auction under the provisions of the Tax Recovery Act.

No bids received. Sale was declared closed.

Taylor—That the petition received from ratepayers in Townships 43, 44 and 45, Range 1, W. 4, be forwarded to the minister of health requesting him to include said area in the Wainwright municipal hospital district. Carried. Councillor Dalyn dissenting.

Sutherland—That the secretary comply with Sections 17 and 28 of the Assessment Act and make the necessary arrangements to hold a court of revision to hear complaints on the adopted assessment of 1947, during the week of January 28, 1948. Cd.

Spencer—That the council approve the actions of the secretary in the matter of funeral expense of Mrs. W. Dyer. Cd.

Arthur—That the report of the committee, their interview with the administrator of estates re Louis Lagerquist be accepted. Cd.

Smale—That the report of the secretary, trustees for Mary E. Brislen be accepted. Cd.

Archibald—That the grant of \$200.00 to the Village of Irma rest room be paid on the assurance that the department of health has approved the sanitation requirements. Cd.

Dalyn—That relief of F. B. Brewer be increased to \$15.00 per month as from January 1, 1948. Cd.

Sutherland—That Mr. Spencer be a committee to interview the Edgerton Board of Trade re dental services at that point. Cd.

Dalyn—That the livery barn at Ribstone, situated on lot 8, block 2, be leased to L. L. Pound at a rental of \$25.00 per annum as from January 1, 1948, providing that six stalls be reserved for the public use. Mr. Pound to be allowed to charge livery barn fees,

Easterly Echoes

Mrs. K. Stougaard stayed several days in Wainwright last week.

Mrs. Gordon Fenton was taken to the Wainwright hospital on Sunday where she underwent an operation Monday morning. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. Chester Feero and Claire of Edson were visitors to their farm here.

Mrs. E. W. Carter of Wainwright spent Saturday night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Fenton.

Mr. T. Sagers and Wilfred were Edgerton visitors on Tuesday.

"On Christmas Day the new born King

Was welcomed by the angel throng. May peace be yours, as happy hearts

Welcome Him once more with joyous song."

CHRISTMAS EVE MEDITATION

There's a hush that comes on Christmas Eve—

Life's hurry and its stress grow far away,

And something in the silence seems to weave

A mood akin to sadness, yet we say "A Merry Christmas" to the friends we meet,

And all the while we feel that mystic spell,

As if the Christ Child came on noiseless feet

With something old yet ever new to tell—

The eyes grow misty, yet we shed no tear,

And those that we have lost seem somehow near.

—Margaret E. Bruner.

Luther League

On Sunday evening, December 14, Sharon Luther League held its annual meeting. Reports were given by the secretary, Mrs. N. Fluevog, and the treasurer, Carl Gulbraa. The following officers were elected: president, Carl Gulbraa; vice-president, Toriel Larson; recording secretary, Mrs. N. Fluevog; treasurer, Orville Likness; corresponding secretary, Mrs. P. Nelson; P.T.M. secretary, Mrs. B. Gulbraa; ushers, Oren Spring and Knute Gulbraa.

A short program followed the business session, in which Leonard Peterson spoke on the topic: Our attitude toward Christmas.

The members of the new executive are to plan the New Year's Watch Night program.

Sharon Sunday school plans to have its program on Sunday evening, December 21. This will be rather a unique program as the songs, recitations, etc., centre about a flannelgraph presentation of the Christmas story.

but the barn must be kept in a proper sanitary condition. Cd.

By-law 214 concerning the sale NE 27-45-7 to John E. Boizard of Wainwright for \$300.00 cash presented.

By-law 214 passed its first, second and third and final reading.

Taylor—That the secretary insert in the local newspaper that the house of the SW 16-43-2-4 will be offered for sale at the January, 1948, meeting of the council. Cd.

The minutes of the Wainwright Agricultural Service Board of December 9, 1947, read for the council's information.

Spencer—That the report of the field supervisor be accepted and filed for reference. d.

Smale—That the secretary write for an extension of the permit to the muskrats granted to the municipal district September

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Christmas Services



ST. MARY'S CHURCH

There will be a celebration of Holy Communion on Christmas Eve, December 24, at 11:30 p.m. Christmas carols will also be sung and everyone is cordially invited to join with us in this service.

Service of Evensong will be held on Sunday, December 28, at 2:30 p.m.

UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, December 21

Christmas Services: Strawberry Plains—11:00 a.m. Alberta—2:00 p.m.

Alma Mater—4:00 p.m.

Irma—Sunday school at 11:00 a.m.

Candle lighting service conducted by C.E.I.T. at 7:30.

Pastor, Rev. H. W. Inglis.

Luke 2: "For unto you is born

this day in the city of David a Saviour Who is Christ the Lord."

IRMA GOSPEL MISSION

11:00 a.m.—Sunday school and Bible class.

3:00 p.m.—Hedley's hall, Christmas program of Irma Gospel Mission Sunday school.

Come and bring a friend and hear the children speak and sing.

8:00 p.m.—Hedley's hall.

Christmas message, also the Christmas story in flannelgraph.

Come and bring a friend. We welcome you.

Pastor, Geo. E. Warnock.

"And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His name Jesus; for He shall save His people from their sins." Matt. 1:21.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 1947

Rev. H. W. Inglis
Pastor Irma United Church

The Christmas story telling the world of Peace and Good Will has an ageless quality, because it fills the needs of our day just as it did two thousand years ago.

The life of long ago was beset with trials and tribulations very similar to ours. People were burdened with taxes; the problem of food and shelter was great; at the head of the nation was a despotic ruler capable of ordering the mass murder of little children to make his own position secure. It all sounds strangely familiar. But the birth of a Child in Bethlehem brought joy and hope to people living under such conditions.

The wise men came from afar bearing gifts, and having seen the Christ Child and recognizing in Him a new hope and light for the world, they had the courage to disobey a ruthless ruler and returned to their own country without making known where the Child was.

Humble working folk saw a great light shine in the midst of darkness and a vision that foretold peace and good will. The darkness enveloped them again but the light they had seen remained in their hearts.

This old world goes on and the Christmas story still has the power to lift and renew men's faith. God's gift to a needy world is still ours to take.

Our wish for you all is that the Spirit of the Christ may be made known to you this Christmas so that as the shepherds returned to their work rejoicing and praising God—we may enter the coming year with joy and hope, praising and determined to build Christ's kingdom of peace and good will in our day.

CHRISTMAS

George E. Warnock
Pastor, Irma Gospel Mission

"And the angels of the Lord said unto them, Fear not: for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people."

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour Who is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:10, 11.

The above text gives us the announcement of the birth of the world's Redeemer, one of the greatest announcements the world ever heard; one of the greatest events the world has ever known. The angel came with this message to man, a message from Heaven, delivered by one of the heavenly host. Such an important message required a special messenger. How privileged those shepherds were in that the angel was sent to them.

The tidings were of great joy. Wouldn't you have been thrilled if you had heard the angel announce to you that the Saviour had been born, the one for whom you had been looking? The shepherds' joy knew no bounds. Their Redeemer had come. They immediately left their sheep and searched out the Lord. Then they went and published the good news. This Saviour was for all people. All who will, can have His glorious Salvation.

Were not these Shepherds a privileged few? The Lord sent the angel to them. One would think that He would have sent the angel to a king. No, God does not work that way. He makes His abode with the humble, the lowly. Jesus was born in a stable, not in a palace. How like the Lord in His humility: The rich do not want Him. The poor seek Him and find Him the answer to all their need. God purposed from the eternal

Southern Sayings

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ewert and Len were visitors to Edmonton last week.

Mr. Steve Pasztor went to Victoria for a visit.

A large number of people attended the Whist Drive and dance at Strawberry Plains. Mr. Hill and Mrs. Dempsey winning first prize with Johnny Hill and Mrs. W. Bacon getting consolation.

Miss Tina Woloshyn left Thursday night to spend her holidays with her parents at Square Hill, Saskatchewan.

A very good crowd attended the Christmas concert at Strawberry Plains on the 18th. Mrs. P. Funk played the piano for the children. A hearty thanks goes to the pupils and teacher for an enjoyable evening.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS, SUBSCRIBERS AND CORRESPONDENTS

Due to Christmas and New Year's holidays falling on Thursdays when we print The Irma Times and our staff away, we will have to dispense with the issues of December 26th and January 2nd. Our next paper will be dated Friday, January 9th, 1948.

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the merchants, correspondents, and subscribers. As this year, generous support during the past year, and in the coming year endeavor to be of better service to each and everyone.

With best wishes for a happy holiday season.

The Times Publishers,
Miss W. Reeves,
Local Editor.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McFarland of Irma, Alta., wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Marjorie K. to Cpl. Herbert Lewis, R.C.A.M.C. of Montreal, Que. The wedding to take place January 7, 1948.

ages that Jesus was to die, the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. Such love, such condensation on Christ's part. In order to save us from our sin He came to earth, and for thirty-three years Heaven was impoverished of its rarest Jewel. Why? Because Jesus loved us. He came to deliver us from the power of sin, not from earthly bondage. He came to save our souls from eternal death to eternal glory.

Think what this announcement meant to a sin-sick world. It meant freedom from sins dominion. "And thou shalt call His name Jesus for He shall save His people from their sins." Matt. 1:21. He will save all who come to Him now. He will save you from eternal death if you invite Him into your heart. He will save you from the power of sin in your life so that you won't want to sin any more. Come just as you are, sin and all. "And him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out." John 6:37. Do not try to fix your self up. Just come.

Think, my friend, what does Christmas mean to you? Are you content to let Christmas come and go and care only for pleasure? If you want a real Christmas, let the Christ of this Christmas season come into your heart. Let Him in. He stands at your heart's door waiting for you to open the door. Jesus said "Behold I stand at the door and knock, if any man hear My voice and open the door, I will come in to him and will sup with him and He with Me." Rev. 3:20.

Farmers Hear Interesting Talks

A meeting was held in Hedley's hall on Wednesday afternoon, December 10. This meeting was sponsored by the Irma and District Board of Trade and the Agricultural Service Board of the M.D. of Minburn.

Mr. Chester Gamble, field service representative of the M.D. of Minburn, acted as chairman.

Mr. Sterling gave an excellent address covering weed control by 24D, soil erosion and rotation of crops. Illustrating his address by lantern slides, Mr. Sterling stressed the fact that a proper crop rotation minimized the soil erosion problem. Also simplified the control of weeds.

Mr. Sterling also advised farmers to only grow the varieties of grain recommended for their soil zone. Not to rush to get some new variety unless it was recommended because too many of the new varieties were being developed for specific purposes and would not be profitable or practical in ordinary commercial grain growing.

Mr. Robbles, the district agriculturist of the M.D. of Wainwright, gave an address on the value of a board of trade to a community, outlining the activities of the Wainwright board of trade, of which he is a member. Mr. Sterling also lined a few of the high points of Hedley's board of trade program.

Both speakers stressed the need of the membership of a successful small board of trade to be representative of the district as whole, to have extensive support from town and country.

Mr. Robbles outlined the aims and objects of boys' and girls' calf, swine and grain clubs. Advised that a calf club has been formed in the Irma district this fall with 18 members.

Mr. Maddex, field supervisor of the M.D. of Wainwright, spoke on warble control by means of power spray; outlined what was accomplished in 1947, and recommended ways for the maximum number of farmers to take advantage of this service this year.

Mr. Gamble closed the meeting by inviting all farmers to avail themselves the services of their field supervisor and district agriculturist more fully. These men were there to help them and were ready and willing to help at all times.

It is regretted that the attendance at this meeting was so small. Any resident of the community, farmer or business man, would have found himself amply paid for his time if he had attended.

IRMA RIFLE CLUB

A 22 rifle range has been constructed in the building opposite the Irma Garage. A club will be formed and any person interested in marksmanship with a 22 rifle should interview Mr. R. W. Hansen.

Items From Kinsella District

Mrs. Plowman is at present a patient in the Viking hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Eaton were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Cormack.

Miss B. Anderson of Viking was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. Olsenberg.

Visitors to the city last week were Mrs. C. Barker, Miss Jean Barker, Mrs. Arkinstall, Mr. and Mrs. S. Simmons and Mr. and Mrs. E. Simmons.

Destruction By Fire

WIDESPREAD DESTRUCTION IS CAUSED in this country every year through fire. These losses are measured not only in dollars, but in human lives, and one of the most regrettable facts in connection with the whole problem is that many of these losses could be averted. Events have shown that although every effort has been made to educate the public in the matter of fire prevention, in many instances, tragic fires have proven to be the results of carelessness and disregard of fundamental rules of safety. Recent surveys have shown that fire losses in Canada are increasing each year. In 1946 they were 12 per cent. higher than in the preceding year, and the increase over a period of five years was estimated to be about 55 per cent.

Serious Loss Of Property

In 1946 it was reported that 408 people lost their lives in Canada because of fires. In that year there were 55,400 fires in the Dominion and of these 41,005, which made up nearly 80 per cent. of the total, destroyed residential property. This would be a serious loss at any time, and is especially so now, in view of the shortage of homes. It was estimated that the number of residences destroyed or damaged by fire in 1946, would provide shelter for 200,000 persons. The damage done to commercial property, and the losses caused by forest fires were not reported but it is known that each year there are large fires in stores, warehouses and factories throughout the country, and there is seldom a year when some part of our forest wealth is not destroyed by fire.

Frequent In Winter Time

Although fires are not confined to any one season of the year, many of the worst fires do occur here in the winter time, and frequently in the most severe weather, when heating systems are overtaxed, or inflammable objects are placed too close to heating units. Too often victims of fires in residential buildings are helpless children, and each winter many pitiful accidents of this kind are reported from all parts of the country. When lack of regard for safety rules, with which everyone should be familiar, result in fires which destroy life and property, the tragedy is doubly regrettable, and it appears that many of the mounting number of fires which occur in this country each year are the result of carelessness and disregard of proper precautionary measures.

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FUNNY And OTHERWISE

Askew: "Was Dauber's painting, 'The Prodigal Son,' well received?"

Critic: "Not at first. But he changed the title to 'The Return of the Automobillist,' and sold it immediately."

Luke: "Gee, I'm happy. A bundle of joy arrived at our house last night."

McLukey: "Boy or girl?"

Luke: "Neither. Last month's laundry."

Because he needed sixpence, Mr. Henpeck dutifully opened his wage packet, and then went to the cashier.

This cashier counted the cash and notes, then replied, impatiently: "It's quite correct. I suppose you have forgotten you got a 10 shillings increase last August."

Mr. Henpeck shrank into his collar still further and said faintly: "My wife never told me."

As the young lovers lingered in the twilight, he asked anxiously: "Darling, have your people agreed to our marriage?"

"Not yet," the girl replied, as she nestled closer to him. "Father hasn't said anything and mother's waiting to contradict him."

"I must have reminded him of some beautiful woman in history. He said I had a historical face."

"Are you sure he didn't say prehistoric, my dear?"

"Morning, Brown, How's everything at home?"

"The wife's well, thank you."

"Why is Jones pacing up and down in front of his house like that?"

"He's awfully worried about his wife, poor chap."

"Why, what's she got?"

"The car."

Wife: "I went in to a bargain sale today."

Husband: "Did you see anything that looked real cheap?"

Wife: "Yes, several men waiting for their wives."

Customer: "Can I exchange this unbreakable doll?"

Shop Assistant: "Is there something wrong with it?"

Customer: "No, only the baby's broken every breakable thing in the house with it."

The following, taken from a petty cashbook, is surely the world's shortest novel:

Advert. for typist, 2s; typist's salary, £2; flowers, 3s; chocolates, 1s 6d; typist's salary, £3; sweets for wife, 6d; Winnie's salary, £4; dinner and theatre for Winnie and self, £10 10s; fur coat for wife, £15; adv. for male typist, 2s.

Fortune Teller: "I see a vision... of your deceased wife. She craves permission to send a message to you."

Client: "Then that's not her, guv'nor. My wife never asked for no permission when she got her messages to me!"

'Lawns should not be neglected in dry weather; weeds should be clipped regularly before they bloom and form mature seeds.

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LOAD ON HIS MIND—The foot poised just above John Gindl's head belongs to "Lachme," a circus elephant. As long as "Lachme" keeps her mind on her work, Gindl, a circus trainer in Ascut, Eng., has nothing to worry about. One slip of the foot, however, and someone else will be loaded for the act.

Fashions



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GEMS OF THOUGHT

TOLERATION

Toleration is good for all or it is good for none.—Burke.

It is not a merit to tolerate, but rather a crime to be intolerant.—Shelley.

The responsibility of tolerance lies with those who have the wider vision.—George Eliot.

I have learned silence from the talkative, toleration from the intolerant, and kindness from the unkind; yet strange, I am ungrateful to those teachers.—Kahlil Gibran.

We should endeavor to be long-suffering, faithful, and charitable with all. To this small effort let us add one more privilege—namely, silence whenever it can substitute censure.—Mary Baker Eddy.

The more we know, the better we forgive; Who'er feels deeply, feels for all who live.—Mme. DeStael.

EVEN BLIZZARDS WON'T BLOW THIS HAT OFF

LONDON.—A new British invention—"the hat that will not blow off"—is to be taken to the United States by W. D. Jeffries, managing director of a firm of women's hat manufacturers.

Jeffries said the hat is made of special elastic yarn, enabling it to stay on the head even in a blizzard.

Six per cent. of humanity have 13 pair of ribs; all the rest have 12.

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Estimate Prairie Wheat Crop At 318,000,000 Bus.

Manitoba's Yield 41,200,500, Saskatchewan's 174,654,000, Alberta's 102,560,000

Prairie wheat production in western Canada is expected to be 318,414,500 bushels this year, according to an estimate issued by the North West Line Elevators association.

The estimate was based on a prairie wheat acreage figure of the Dominion bureau of statistics of 22,992,000 acres and yields per acre were compiled from returns received from 93 per cent. of country points in the three prairie provinces.

Manitoba's wheat yield is forecast at 41,200,500 bushels, Saskatchewan at 174,654,000 bushels and Alberta 102,560,000 bushels.

The overall prairie wheat yield per acre is estimated at 3.8 bushels, Manitoba is expected to yield an average of 16.5 bushels to the acre, Saskatchewan 12.4 bushels and Alberta 16.0 bushels.

Oats production in the three prairie provinces was set at 181,635,400 bushels an average yield per acre of 23.0 bushels. Total barley yield was estimated at 131,203,500 for an overall yield of 18.7 bushels to the acre.

A rye crop of 12,311,200 bushels was predicted for the prairie west, showing an average yield per acre of 11.3 bushels.

Production of flax in the three prairie provinces was estimated at 10,193,600 bushels for a per acre yield of 7.2 bushels.

PRINCE PHILIP TO BE INCLUDED IN PRAYER

LONDON.—Britons who belong to the Church of England henceforth will pray for Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, as well as the rest of the Royal family. Wherever the Book of Common Prayer specifically mentions the royal family the words "The Duke of Edinburgh" will be inserted after that of his wife, Princess Elizabeth, the privy council decided.

BEAT THIS ANTI-SALOON LEADER ADMITS DRINKING

TOLEDO, O.—Rev. Howard B. Pichard, 64, general field representative in Toledo for the Ohio district of the Anti-Saloon League, pleaded guilty in police court here to driving while under the influence of liquor.

All ship life originally came from the ocean. New races developed when groups became landlocked or otherwise isolated.

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CANADA'S WEDDING STAMP

Canada is to mark the wedding of Princess Elizabeth with this special four-cent postage stamp which will be issued Thursday, Jan. 15. First day covers for philatelists will be handled only by the postmaster at Ottawa.

SELECTED RECIPES

MINCE PIE—MODERN STYLE!

The pace of modern living allows little time for fussing over holiday dinners. But this can still be a blue ribbon winner if you know the right shortcuts! Fluffy Mince Pie is an easy dessert to make, and it holds up a long-established tradition!

Fluffy Mince Pie

4 cups corn flakes
1½ cup sugar
½ cup melted butter

1 tablespoon unflavored gelatin
1½ cups water
9 ounce package mince meat
2 eggs, separated
3 tablespoons melted butter
½ cup lemon juice
½ cup sugar

Crush corn flakes into fine crumbs. Add sugar and butter; mix well. Press evenly and firmly around sides and bottom of pie pan saving two tablespoons for topping, if desired.

Chill. Soften gelatin in ¼ cup of the water. Add remaining 1½ cups water to mince meat and cook until mixture thickens slightly. Beat egg yolks; add butter, lemon juice and sugar. Add to mince meat. Continue cooking until mixture thickens. Add gelatin and stir until dissolved. Cook. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites. Pour into crumb pie shell and chill about 1 hour or until firm enough to cut. Yield: 1 6-inch pie.

Note: If home-made mince meat is used, reduce water to ¾ cup and use 2 cups mince meat.

Standard Of Living High In Canada

WELLAND.—Canada has the highest standard of living in the world today, according to a report by the Labour Minister. Humphrey Mitchell told a gathering of civic representatives at a dinner reception here. "This condition," he said, "didn't fall as the gentle rain from heaven, but has been brought about by the courage and tenacity of the Canadian people."

Mr. Mitchell said that the dollar saving program as laid down by his government would carry Canadians through the years ahead "with freedom as we understand it and with justice to all."

Mace is obtained from a fragile membrane growing between the two hard shells of the nutmeg kernel.

EX-CANADIAN WILLS LARGE SUM TO CANCER FUND

WASHINGTON.—Approximately \$4,000,000 for research in cancer is provided for in the will of Mrs. Mary A. Stewart, who died of a heart attack in her Washington home recently. The money, constituting the bulk of the \$4,500,000 estate, goes into a trust fund. Mrs. Stewart's father, Alexander Stewart, went to the United States from Canada and acquired large holdings in lumber mills and paper manufacturing plants in Wisconsin, Oregon, and California. He died in 1912.

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Fear Jap Mine Menace At B.C. Coast

Danger Caused By Mines Moored After Two Years Submergence
(By William Ross, C.P.S. Writer)
ESQUIMALT, B.C.—Canada's Pacific coastline faces an epidemic of Japanese mines so great that her naval forces are in the position of being asked to fight a locust plague with a fly swatter.

Scientific advisers to the operations staff of the Royal Canadian Navy's Pacific base have warned that "thousands" of the horned menace may be expected along the Vancouver Island coast and the mainland during the next two years.

The Navy has but one craft suitable for mine detection and destruction—H.M.C.S. 124, a Fairmile motor launch.

Two others, the destroyer Crescent and the Frigate Antigonish, make up the trio of vessels in commission on this west coast and though used, are considered too large for efficient minesweeping operations—and too expensive to operate.

The report which has brought the mine menace to the forefront was submitted by Dr. J. B. Tully, federal oceanographer at Nanaimo. It has been kept secret and no one at the base will discuss it. It has been referred to Ottawa for action and Dr. Tully refers questions to naval headquarters.

It is known, however, that from his observations of the recurring appearance of Japanese mines off the North American Coast, combined with his knowledge of Pacific currents, tides and winds, Dr. Tully has warned that mines will menace shipping at the mouth of Juan de Fuca Strait—gateway for vessels bound to and from Vancouver to Seattle—and along the Canadian and Alaskan coastline.

The danger period, he believes, extends through the next two years.

The Japanese sowed thousands of mines in the Pacific during the war. Each contains 500 pounds of explosive. The present danger has been caused by the mines' moorings' disintegration after two or three years or more of submergence.

They were sown in the Japanese current, and, now drift or about to drift, follow its course to points along the Pacific coast.

Canadian Naval officers say the predicted areas are precisely those in which mines so far sighted—the Canadian Navy has had reports of 20 mines destroyed since the war's end—have not appeared.

They are inclined, however, to respect the prediction, ready to believe that over a longer period of five years, mine activity along the coast may bear out the scientists' theories.

Meanwhile, if the mines do appear in quantity, they are not sure yet what they can do.

Partial Hunger One Form Of Starvation

Not Evident Right Away Says Berlin Doctor

Dr. Miggel, chief doctor of one of Berlin's famous hospitals and known for his research in infantile paralysis, says: "The people are eating themselves up slowly. Apart from starvation, there is a form of partial hunger which doesn't become evident right away. This stage of chronic under-nourishment leads slowly but surely to death. The weak and half starved seek every occasion to sit down in order to summon sufficient strength to walk another few yards. Feet in the Germans are starving; are breeding a race of pigmy children with bow legs and swollen joints. And, apart from starvation, they have the added misery of a winter without much fuel to look forward to. Sixty per cent. of Berlin's children between the ages of 4 and 10 are in a dangerous state of health. The latest reported cases of tuberculosis of children under 14 amounts to 400 and more a month.

CARE IN CROWDS
The assembly of young people, as at a large educational institution, creates a special danger of spread of infection, such as influenza, should disease occur. Medical officers warn that individuals are particularly susceptible when they are chilled, fatigued or worried. Health-conscious school authorities in Canada are insisting on increasingly high personal health standards. They are taking steps to ensure proper environment and providing thorough health supervision for classes.

WOULD BE HANDY
A United States firm has brought out a tailor-made lawn which simply involves rolling out a cellulose roll containing seeds, fertilizer, and hormones. Cities which are accustomed to rolling up their sidewalks on Saturday nights, but no doubt find this very suitable for boulevards.



U.S. HUNTERS INJURED IN PLANE CRASH—Eight Buffalo businessmen and their pilot, returning from Lake Erie's Pelee Island pheasant hunt, were injured, some seriously, when their plane crashed at St. Catharines airport. Officers W. McBride and N. Pach remove some of 26 birds from plane.

Marooned on island by the storms, the hunters were attempting to get home in a plane piloted by Bill Shepherd. The plane began icing, it is said, and an emergency landing was attempted at St. Catharines, Ont. The wrecked plane, seen here, ran over field, jumped a ditch.

Doctor Declares Child Born Now Can Live To 100

NEW YORK—Dr. Edward L. Bortz, president of the American Medical Association, says: "A child born now can expect to live to be 100 if he's given proper care in infancy and youth, and if he avails himself of present medical knowledge through his adult years."

"Already we have an ever-increasing percentage of older persons in our society," he said in a radio talk. "While, in the past 10 years, the population of the United States has increased only seven per cent., the proportion of persons over 65 has increased 35 per cent."

No Argument In This Conversation

Maybe you've heard the story about the old fellow who got tired of having employees go to him asking for raises in pay and telling how hard they worked. Finally he blew up one day:

"You talk about working so hard," he stormed. "Why, you have an easy time of it. You do not work at all in our society," he said in a radio talk. "While, in the past 10 years, the population of the United States has increased only seven per cent., the proportion of persons over 65 has increased 35 per cent."

Old Custom Still Rigidly Observed

Lady Knollys, wife of a close friend of the Black Prince, grew tired of crossing rutted cobblestones between two houses in which she and her husband lived in a London byway now known as Seething Lane. She ordered an elevated passageway built to join them.

The city's government decided the act violated the right-of-way of pedestrians and ordered Sir Robert Knollys to recompense the corporation for his wife's "over-bold haughty" by paying annual quit-rent of "one red rose fresh-plucked from his garden."

NOT A GOOD JOB
The small boy went into the lounge to see a visitor who was with his father. "Well, my little man," said his father's friend, "why are you looking at me so hard?" "Daddy told me you were a self-made man, and I wanted to see what you look like."

"Quite right," said the gratified guest. "I am a self-made man." "But why did you make yourself like that?" asked the boy with surprise. "Buck deer lose their antlers during the winter and grow new ones in the spring."

Ancient Inn Dates Back Eight Centuries

Many Famous Names Adorn Its Historic Walls

NOTTINGHAM, Eng.—Time has dealt harshly with the handwork of two Canadian soldiers who scratched their names on the ancient sandstone walls of Nottingham's 12th-century Jerusalem Inn and already their surnames are undecipherable.

"George" from somewhere in Saskatchewan, and "Walter," of Toronto, chose a former penal dungeon now used as a subterranean taproom in which to record their visits.

They're in good company for the windowless walls seem to crawl with the signatures of British and Australian sailors, soldiers and airmen.

The "Jerusalem," some of whose refreshment rooms are literally carved out of a sheer rockface, dates back to 1189, when it is believed to have sheltered Crusaders en route to the Holy Wars.

Its rocky corridors run right into the heart of Castle Rock, surmounted by crumbling Nottingham Castle, and its famous chimney rising from the taproom to the roof surface 60 feet above, has been swept only once in 30 years.

Nottingham Castle, once the residence of Norman and Plantagenet kings, is pierced by numerous tunnels one of which is connected with the Jerusalem Inn.

Beer is sold not only in the two tiny taprooms but from a window overlooking a rocky tunnel, the roof of which is little more than six feet from the floor.

"We had an awful time getting rid of servicemen around closing time," said the present licensee. "Some of them used to hide in the tunnels at closing time and creep out for more beer after the inn was closed. They were a tough lot and no mistake!"

Besides signatures, the taproom walls are decorated with autograph photographs of musical and theatrical celebrities who visited the inn in pre-war times.

In one of the inn's tiny rock-bored rooms is the copy of a 16th-century family Bible enclosed in a glass case; ancient weapons, including cutlasses and blunderbusses and a collection of ceramics composed largely of English medieval lead-glazed earthenware of local origin.

The inn has its ghost, reported to be the desolate spirit of a Welsh prince who was hanged from the walls of Nottingham Castle during the reign of King John.

Saving Food Entirely Up To Individual

Canadians who feel they have a moral responsibility to save food can go right ahead and save it; nobody is stopping them, says the Calgary Herald. They can cut down waste, thereby saving their pocketbooks.

They can eat less, thereby saving their pocketbooks and adding some years to their lives. Whatever they go about it, they will be helping themselves, as well as helping others.

GOOD DRIVER REQUIRES KNOWLEDGE OF LAWS
The motor vehicle is a potentially dangerous mechanical device when operated on the public highway, and the fitness of those who would operate one should be established before license is granted. "It is," says the Edmonton Journal, "absurd to include not only the ability to drive the car, but a working knowledge of highway traffic laws and regulations and freedom from any physical handicaps, such as very poor eyesight."

Teachers Are Real Character Builders

A recent Bulletin of the Royal Bank of Canada, says: The teaching profession is at once a great art and to a considerable extent a science. There are bookish blockheads in it as in every other profession, and you come upon teachers who are faded in a noticeable measure from the sharp and strong pattern so much desired; but these are not typical.

Teachers on the whole radiate interest and enthusiasm to their students; a blend of personality and skill. They have a rare courage; the courage to repeat day after day the same lessons in a way to keep them always interesting and absorbing.

They have large stores of common sense. They are builders of character, the most important element in the progress of our children. Such a profession deserves respect; its practitioners are entitled to just and adequate material rewards and should be given a social standing in keeping with the work they do.

Newest Gadget Of Interest To Typists

Blind Inventor Has Come Up With Good Idea

Typists who have a tendency to write themselves off the end of the page while they're not looking have been saved by a bell developed by an Ottawa inventor.

The bell is part of a small attachment that can be clipped to any typewriter. The typist decides how much margin is wanted at the bottom of the page, sets a regulator for the number of inches or to the fraction of an inch, and types merrily away. When the bottom margin is reached, a warning bell rings.

The invention is the work of George Lafleur, 25 Queen Mary road, Overbrook. One of his hobbies is writing detective stories. Blind since birth, he got annoyed with finding he had typed the last three or four lines of a page on air instead of paper. The "Automatizer," as he calls it, was the result.

Because being a blessing to the ordinary typist, the attachment makes it possible to use a typewriter for tabulating. Column after column of figures can be typed with the assurance that each column will end on the same line. Meantime the operator can pay full attention to the work.

Blind people, accustomed to spacing their typing by guess, will be able to set the regulator by noticing the number of clicks it makes. This is the way Mr. Lafleur uses his machine.

The attachment will be on the market within a few months. Anybody can install it.

London Street Not Altogether Modern

Notice is being taken of the fact that the famous London street simply called Haymarket is 100 years old this year. It derives its name, of course, from the fact that it was a market place for hay and nothing else, and it really took shape as a business thoroughfare in 1837.

There is very little of the old Haymarket left, most of the buildings being modern, but up at the north end is a tobaccoist's business which was established about 200 years ago. The exterior is exactly as it was then, with delicately carved window frames, and the present owner will gladly show an enquiring patron the ledger containing the name of George III and other patrons, and they still make up the same pipe mixtures that they did then.

THE MODERN TOUCH
Times do change. Grandpa used to call upstairs to his daughters, "Breakfast, time, young ladies," and now, Pa hollers, "Time for chow, kids."

California Man Is An Ant Collector

Finds It Interesting And Quite Profitable

A. L. Simon tells the following story in "This Week": You've no doubt heard of bag-game hunting in Africa, but did you ever hear of small-game hunting in California?

W. H. D. Hornaday's unique business is hunting for ants, and he finds it quite profitable. Once a professional lecturer, Hornaday turned ant hunter seven years ago after watching the astonishingly successful ant hunting in the Coachella Valley, Calif. He thought others might like to watch, too, so he put them in transparent houses, castles or villages. The customers were grateful and plentiful.

There's an art to ant-hunting. Armed with his specialized weapons of a soup spoon and milk pail, Ant goes to work. He goes on a daily safari into the wheat and grain fields where the little fellows lurk. He also needs a shovel and a government permit. The best time to hunt ants is at dawn or dusk. The heat of day and darkness drive them underground.

"Any ant won't do," explains Hornaday. "The only kind I can use are workers who are approved by the Department of Agriculture as being non-pertinacious." His special kind are about a half-inch long and are known as "Pogonomyrmex Deserti."

Ants are easy to keep, are happy on a diet of wheat seed and water with an occasional touch of honey on a toothpick. To preserve his ants when his supply gets greater than his demand, Hornaday just puts them in the refrigerator.

"We don't guarantee our ants," Hornaday explains, "because we have no way of knowing how old they are when we dig them up." Ants, however, are replaceable without charge. Ants are normally a tranquil lot. Once, though, a few thousand Pogonomyrmex got loose in a Los Angeles department store. By the end of the day, ants were riding escalators, marching across counters peering at pedestrians from bright store windows. A frantic phone call brought Mr. Hornaday to the rescue. Arming a dozen employees with milk pails baited with honey, he led the ants on a hunt all over the store. By nightfall, the ant panic had turned to peace. All the Pogonomyrmex were in the pails.

Canadians Should Be Proud Of Land

No Canadian need be jubilant when a European family is placed on a farm from which a Canadian family has removed itself. Yet this is what is going on in some parts of the country.

In some instances the original Canadian stock is leaving the land and getting into towns and cities. The same process is going on in many sections of the United States and is regarded with alarm by students of the social order in that country.

The newcomer from Europe prizes the land; to him it is a great boon to be able to own a hundred acres. The Anglo-Saxon in this country regards the land lightly. Ownership means little to him, and in many cases he would prefer making his living somewhere else.

WOULD TAKE CHANCE
He wanted to go to the circus very badly, but his father thought otherwise. "It's better for you to go to school, my boy," he advised him. "Go to school and work hard, and one day you may become Lord Mayor of London."

"But there are thousands of boys in London," protested the youngster. "That's so," father agreed. "The only safe way of adopting a life for the eyes is to have the optics examined first, by an eye specialist or by a qualified optometrist."

To Feel Right — Eat Right

Heat Homes, Drive Cars By Atomic Fuel

CHICAGO—Scientists have started experiments to find an atomic fuel safe enough to heat homes, drive cars and propel airplanes without the heavy shields now necessary in nuclear equipment, the University of Chicago announced.

At present atomic furnaces must be shielded with more than 50 tons of metal and concrete to protect workers from dangerous radiation. The heavy equipment is one of the chief problems in developing atom-driven transportation and machinery.

According to a report from Dr. Nathan Sugarman and Dr. Anthony Turkevich, chemists at the university's institute for nuclear studies, the dangerous radiation comes from the fission products or "ashes" of the reaction.

They have charted the frequency with which various "ashes" occur in the operation of an atomic furnace. They reported that some of the products are extremely dangerous while others are quite safe to handle.

Among the dangerous products are barium, a silvery metal, and krypton, a colorless gas. These two compose about six per cent. of the "ashes," they said.

CRIPPLED CHILD HAS FRIEND IN GREAT DANE

Nine-year-old Merle Cheney, of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, is the envy of her school-fellows, for she arrives at school every morning by herself in a little wagon or, in winter, in a sleigh, drawn by her huge Great Dane, Skipper, who weighs over 140 pounds—much more than his little mistress.

Merle has been a cripple since she was born and is not able to walk far. When she started going to school at the age of eight her mother or brother, or the 13-year-old boy who lived next door, would put her on a little wagon in the summer and a sleigh in the winter. Then the family brought Skipper, and the big, gentle, fawn-colored dog soon brought her way to Merle's school. Before long he was able to take her quite safely on his own, running fast and leaving far behind the cheering crowd of her schoolmates.

Lord Mayor Has Regular Yearly Job

In the Church of St. Andrew Undershaft in Leadenhall street stands a marble-and-alabaster statue of John Stow, noted Elizabethan historian who died, legend runs, clasping the pen with which he wrote the closing pages of his "Survey of London."

"He wrote excellently and deserved well of both of his own and subsequent ages," says the Latin inscription beneath the figure of the writer at his desk. In recognition of this sentiment, each year the Lord Mayor places a new quill pen in the right hand of the statue.

AIDS FOR EYES
In getting a pair of reading glasses, don't just pick them up from a store counter, after testing your own vision, warn health officers. Such glasses may be relatively cheap, but it's false economy to buy glasses without one aid to eye strain.

Authorities note that the layman cannot judge the correct type of lenses to use in eyeglasses. He may pick them too strong or too weak. The only safe way of adopting aids for the eyes is to have the optics examined first, by an eye specialist or by a qualified optometrist.

To Feel Right — Eat Right



May We Sprinkle Some Good Cheer On Your Christmas Tree

We'd like to have our own good wishes represented on your Christmas tree—a sprinkling of nice pleasant thoughts for you and a gleam of gratitude for your king patronage.

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Christmas Greetings

We take pleasure in offering you the compliments of the season and truly hope you have a very happy holiday.

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We WILL NOT

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24th

But WILL SHIP on

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Hoping this will be convenient for your circumstances.
And Thanking You

OBERT A. LOVIG

Phone 38

Irma, Alberta



Once again we stop in our onrushing mad scramble of present times to take stock of the much more pleasant things around us. It is a great pleasure to find so many grand and solid people who still hold to the age-old doctrine of Peace on Earth, Good Will Towards Men.

May we take this opportunity of extending to you and yours that same feeling of good will and may each of you enjoy a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy, Healthful and Prosperous New Year.

Imperial Lumber Co. Ltd.

H. L. BLACK

Did You Hang Up Your Stocking?



Busy old St. Nick might have forgotten to stuff a great big wish of ours in your stockings, so we're taking no chances. Right here and now we're saying A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

IRMA HARDWARE, Phone 2

Wedding Bells

REITAN-LOXTON

A vine-trimmed arch and bouquets of giant yellow chrysanthemums formed the setting in the Church of Christ, Vulcan, for an afternoon wedding, Friday, October 24, when Viola Louise Loxton, Vulcan, became the bride of Kenneth Reitan, youngest son of Mrs. Anna Reitan of Hardisty. Rev. E. G. Hansell, M.P., was the officiating clergyman.

Escorted to the altar by her father, the bride was gowned in a floor-length model of white rayon sheer, featuring long sleeves and full skirt, with an embroidered yolk and matching embroidery banding the waistline. Her veil fell to finger length from a beaded coronet and she carried a bouquet of chrysanthemums.

In delicate contrast to the bride's ensemble was the formal gown of shell pink sheer worn by Miss Connie Hoskyn, who was the bridesmaid. A flowered coronet held her matching chapel veil, and she carried a bouquet of co-co-mo carnations.

Mr. Adolph Russel attended the groom, while Mr. Jack Williams and Mr. Leslie Jones ushered the guests to pews marked by white ribbon bows.

Miss Norma McEwen played the wedding music, and during the signing of the register Miss Mary Spaeth sang "Because."

Following the ceremony a reception was held in the I.O.O.F. hall attended by 35 guests. The bridal party was assisted in receiving by the bride's mother, who was attired in a blue crepe frock, worn with black accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

The bride's table was centred with a three-tiered wedding cake topped with a miniature bride and groom and flanked by light tapers.

Those assisting in serving were Misses Linda Fleming, Effie Van Dellen, Jessie Van Dellen and Mrs. Tom Bogner.

Following the reception the bridal couple left on a wedding trip to Banff, Jasper and Hardisty. For travelling the bride chose a fuchsia suit featuring a long peplum skirt, and accessories in black. On her coat she wore an aqua-marine chapeleine, a gift of the groom.

On their return the young couple will make their home in Calgary.

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Farmers' Spiel

A bonspiel will be held at the Irma curling rink, commencing December 29th. This competition is restricted to farmers, and they are all cordially invited to try their skill at curling.

Any rink entering this bonspiel must contain at least two players who have never been members of a curling club. There will be prizes for the winning rinks, and plenty of enjoyment for the losers.

Form your rink and then have your skip notify either of the following by December 22nd: Pryce Jones, C. Milne, H. Riley. The entrance fee is 25 cents for non-member farmers.

FOR SALE BY TENDER ESTATE OF FENTON A. NASH THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR OFFERS FOR SALE BY TENDER:

The North-West Quarter (N.W. 1/4) of Section Eighteen (18) in Township forty-six (46) Range Nine (9) West of the fourth (4th) Meridian: AND the South-West Quarter (S.W. 1/4) of Section eighteen (18) in Township forty-six (46) Range nine (9) West of the fourth (4th) Meridian: containing Three Hundred and Twenty (320) acres more or less: Reserving thereout all mines and minerals: Improvements on these two Parcels are stated to be: N.W. 18-46-9-W4th: Frame House 14'x22'; Frame Barn 14x30x10; Frame Granary; Frame Well House; Frame Chicken House 12x24x8; Fifty (50) acres cultivated; fencing; S.W. 18-46-9-W4th: Nine (9) acres cultivated and fencing: Clear title: IMMEDIATE OCCUPATION: Taxes clear to December 31st, A.D. 1947.

Offers will be received by the undersigned up to 12:00 o'clock noon on the 15th day of January, A.D. 1948, for the purchase of the above properties.

Tenders should be forwarded in a sealed envelope and marked "Tender" and a certified cheque for ten per cent (10%) of the offer should accompany the same.

The highest or any tender not necessary accepted.

Deposits will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers.

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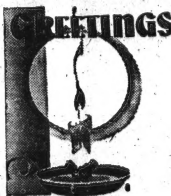
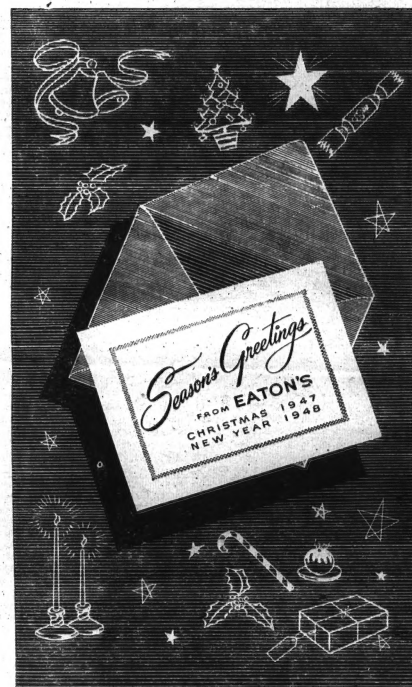
Our Christmas Greeting

The most precious Christmas gift we can think of is the gift of good will. May you, and everyone else in the world receive it.



IRMA GARAGE

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As we draw near the close of another year may we extend to you and yours our grateful appreciation for your co-operation, throughout the year. To you and yours we extend Christmas greetings.

Brennan Motors

Joy To All

Christmas is the one great event that transcends the bounds of any one country and embraces the whole world.

In much the same way there is no limit or bounds to our good wishes for you for a Merry Christmas.



A. C. Charter

Come And See Us At Work, Farmers

"Let There Be Light" Between Us

You've heard a lot of untruthful things said about The Winnipeg Grain Exchange and its Members and operations. But we should like you to come in and see us personally and discover how our Members operate for your benefit. Ask questions of the President or the Secretary, or any other Member. You will get straight answers. The more you know about The Exchange, the less likely you are to be influenced by Pool propaganda against The Exchange; and the quicker you will want to get top world prices for your wheat, instead of a controlled price far below the open market price.

"Let there be light" between you and us. We are your agents. You cannot travel from China to Peru to sell grain. Our Members do that for you, in more than sixty countries of the world.

And remember, we have no more to do with "fixing" prices for wheat, oats or barley than you have. World supply and demand governs prices. You, as a well-informed man, know this.

You and our Members are in the grain business together. You produce it—we find markets for it. Without us, we could not exist (neither could the Pools). Without us, how could you find markets?

We favour a floor price for wheat administered by the Canadian Wheat Board—but we think you should have the opportunity to get top world prices, through the open market, NOW to offset possible lower prices a few years from now, when world supply overtakes demand; and also to offset the losses you took in the depressed thirties. Meantime mail the coupon below for a booklet explaining the Canadian Wheat Board Act and how you are regulated and controlled by it.

To The Winnipeg Grain Exchange,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Please mail booklet to which you refer above.

FULL NAME

(Print in Block Letters)

FULL ADDRESS

Christmas GREETINGS

CHRISTMAS IS A TIME when old loyalties are not only remembered but strengthened. We want you to know how much we appreciate your confidence in us, and how earnestly we wish for you

A Very Joyous Christmas

Clumstad's Clothing Store



As we draw near the close of another year may we extend to you and yours our grateful appreciation for your co-operation throughout the year. To you and yours we extend Christmas Greetings.

Hansen's Service Station

A Very Merry Christmas



It isn't always stylish to be old-fashioned, but there are times when it's very genuine—and Christmas is one of them. Yes, folks, we wish you an old-fashioned Christmas this year... the best one of them all!

Central Garage

W. SYMINGTON, Prop.



One need not be told it is Christmastime. The glowing faces of friend and stranger alike bespeak it. It gives us the same thrill as of old to wish all our friends and those who are still to become our friends

A Very Merry Christmas

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Community Cook Book



Mincemeat (uncooked)

1 cup sugar. 1 cup chopped suet. ½ cup sultanas. ½ cup seedless raisins.

5 cups currants. ½ cup cut citron.

½ cup almonds. ¼ cup fruit juice.

1 teasp. cinnamon. 1 teasp. allspice.

Juice and grated rind of one lemon.

2 lbs apples, peeled and chopped. ½ teasp. salt.

Mix all together and leave over night. In the morning stir well and put into jars.

Mrs. G. W. Hardy, Minburn.

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL, 1948

Municipal District of Wainwright, No. 61

Notice is hereby given that the assessment of the previous year has been adopted under the provisions of the Assessments Act, and that the assessment roll of the said municipality has been duly prepared, and that if any person thinks that any property has been wrongfully assessed, or assessed too high, or too low, or that his name or the name of any other person has been wrongfully entered upon or omitted from the roll, he may at any time prior to the 21st day of January, 1948, notify the secretary-treasurer in writing of the particulars and grounds of his complaint.

Dated at Wainwright, this 2nd day of January, 1948.

CHARLES WILBRAHAM, Secretary-Treasurer.

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Eyes Examined

G. F. WILLOUGHBY
Optometrist

of
Erlanger & Willoughby
Edmonton
will be in

WAINWRIGHT, DEC. 20

Appointments at
Walker's Jewelry Store

Obituary

JULIA VOROS

Julia Voros, 60 years, December 3, 1947 at the residence, 2358 Mel-drum Rd., Sandwich East, Windsor, Ont. Beloved wife of James. Dear mother of James Joseph, Hardisty, Alberta; Louis, Windsor; and George at home; 6 grandchildren. Resting at Anderson's Funeral Home, 861. Cavelle Ave. Funeral Saturday, December 6 at 8:30 a.m., to Most Precious Blood Church at 9 a.m. Rev. Father M. J. Dalton officiated. Interment St. Alphonsus Cemetery. Prayers were in evening at 7 p.m.

WITH THE FIELD SUPERVISOR

By F. W. Maddex

Seed Grain

From reports we have received from the department of agriculture and other reliable sources, there is going to be a very short supply of seed grain available in the spring. Therefore, with this information in mind, it would appear that the bulk of seed grain, especially oats and barley, will have to be supplied locally.

The agricultural service board at their last meeting, December 9, decided it would be necessary to assist the farmers in locating coarse grains for seed, and are prepared to take seed orders and order seed for distribution in the district.

We would appreciate any farmer having coarse grains on hand that he thinks will make seed, to leave his name, kind of grain, and approximate number of bushels at this office with Mr. J. S. Robblee, district agriculturist, or myself, in order that we might avoid disappointment later in the spring.

W.I. MEETING TO BE HELD JAN. 6th, 1948

The January meeting, of the W.I. will be held on Tuesday, January 6th, 1948 at Mrs. McLean's home. Hostesses, Mrs. Thurston, Mrs. J. Rae.

Roll call will be answered by paying dues. Mrs. E. Sanders has charge of the programme. Everyone welcome.

Want Ads

FOR SALE

Dining room table and six chairs also wardrobe (new). Apply Mrs. McLeod. 19p

FOR SALE

One half-size violin and case. In good shape, \$7.50. Arnold Enger. 12-19p

FOR SALE

Sixty healthy Hampshire pullets. Apply Mrs. Wm. Hubman, Irma.



THERE ARE A THOUSAND AND ONE ways of extending the season's greetings to you, but no words we can put into writing, no words we can frame with our lips ring with more sincerity than the old-fashioned greeting—

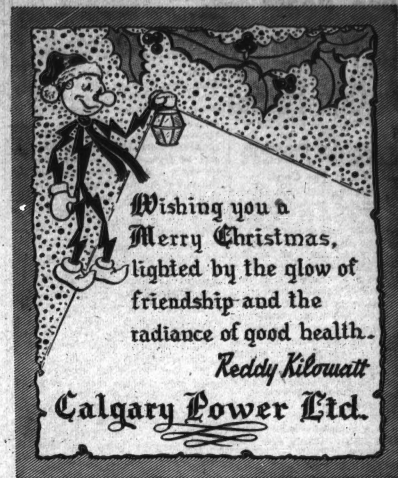
Merry Christmas To You

KIRKMAN & McLEAN

Merry Christmas Everybody

For the past twenty-five years we have put this little greeting in our home town paper and have meant every word that it conveyed. This year we especially thank all our friends and customers that in this quarter of a century just to end, we have all had some measure of happiness and prosperity and our hearty wish is that it continues for each of you in the years to come.

The Elford Family



Wishing you a Merry Christmas, lighted by the glow of friendship and the radiance of good health.

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It is good to know that Christmas is here again... good to celebrate it, as in the past, with so many fine people with whom we are happy to be associated in this community, and to whom we now send

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Christmas is not all tinsel and tissue or colored lights and merriment. It has a deeper significance, rooted in the long gone past, which sets it high above all other holidays of the year.

It is our hope that this blessed season will bring to your home not only the festive joys of Yuletide but that deep inner peace which is essentially a part of Christmas

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Phone 7

Joy to The World

Now again is there a time to put special emphasis on the true meaning of the Christmas spirit. Let each one of us work to make this holiday season merry for everyone we know. In this spirit we wish each of you the merriest possible Christmas.

The Wyand Family

Device Heats Home Three Days With One Filling

Cuts Coal Consumption From Fifteen To Thirty-Eight Per Cent.

NEW YORK.—A new heating unit, designed for that "dream home" of the post-war era, and a device that supposedly cuts coal consumption by 35 to 38 per cent, was introduced.

The new unit, called an anthra-tube, was developed by engineers of the Anthracite Institute and is now in manufacture by several companies.

At a preview in the offices of the institute here, two models—the bin-fed and hopper types—were shown. The bin-fed burns pea-size hard coal and the other type burns chestnut-size hard coal and can operate on one filling for several days, according to the institute engineers.

As explained by Frank W. Earnest, Jr., president of the institute, the anthra-tube is a complete boiler-burner unit "based on an entirely new coal-burning principle."

The unit comes assembled in one section and can be erected in a home in about 10 minutes, according to Earnest. It can heat an eight-room house, he said.

He also said that the new unit eliminates ash dust, asserting that the ash is discharged automatically into a container, and that an induced draft fan prevents the dust from seeping out.

The new unit employs a reversal of the old principle of burning a slow fire in a large fire pot. In it, a fast fire is used in a small pot. This, the engineers said, increases the efficiency of the heating unit.

Dr. Raymond C. Johnson, vice-president of the institute and in charge of research, said that the induced draft fan also swirls hot fumes against the heat-transmitting inner surfaces of the boiler. Ordinarily, he explained, a film of cooler gas lies against these surfaces and interferes with the transfer of heat from the fire to the radiators.

The swirling action, he said, overcomes this condition.

The pea coal unit is 24 by 31 by 42 inches in size, with a capacity of 400 feet of steam or 600 feet of hot water. The hopper model is 27 inches wide, 47 inches high, and 37 inches to the hopper door. It has a storage capacity of 250 pounds of coal, enough to heat houses of from five to eight rooms for three days during severe winter weather, the engineers said.

The new unit burns only anthracite, and cannot be used for warm air systems. However, such a model is now being developed, the institute reported.

Six Big Worries Not Only For Americans

Collier's Weekly says the American people have six big worries with the high cost of food ranking first and causing the most sleepless nights.

Aside from the high cost of food, the other six worries, listed in the order in which they were mentioned most frequently, are:

Unsettled foreign affairs, chiefly with Russia; the shortage of housing; the high price of clothing; inflation, chiefly as it affects veterans drawing educational benefits and persons with fixed incomes; and juvenile delinquency as it results from the absence from homes of working mothers.

Canada's Chance To Help In Restoration

Next year, appeals for Canterbury Cathedral will be launched simultaneously in Canada and Australia. They will be brought to Britain and formally handed over to the Archbishop of Canterbury by bishops from the two Dominions attending the Lambeth Conference in May, 1948. At the request of the countries themselves, these gifts will be devoted to specific works of restoration. The Canadian contribution is to be used for repairing a row of historic houses near the Cathedral which were damaged in the raids of 1942. Australia will undertake a similar task, but its choice has not yet been made.

Newest Invention To Reduce World Noise

The New York World-Telegram says, Irving M. Levin, a San Francisco theatre manager, has invented a noiseless popcorn sifter, thereby earning a place among such immortals as the discus and the silent soup spoon and the celery muffer.

Such genius as Levin's inspires hope for a noise weary world. Maybe, he or some equally gifted benefactor, now will get to work on cures for such plagues as the green-light horn tooter, the milk wagon dawn patrol and the singing commercial.

No word in the Chinese language has more than one syllable.

Drivers Need Every Faculty Undimmed

Opinion Of Chemistry Professor Worthy Of Notice

The following article was taken from the Toronto Globe and Mail: When warnings are issued not to drive a motor car after drinking intoxicants many people just shrug their shoulders. The assumption is that the counsel comes from some sort of dry. Yet if a person, before he takes a drink, will only think of the power in his motor car, the destruction it can bring, if he loses control, he will readily see that it needs all a motorist's faculties to drive safely.

Professor Joslyn Rogers, who is in the Faculty of Chemistry at the University of Toronto, has for a great number of years been the official consulting analyst for the Province of Ontario. His experience is wider than most and is equalled by few in his field in Canada. What he says about those who drink and drive is therefore worthy of special notice.

If (said Professor Rogers) you could only see the results of excessive drinking as I do in the cases which confront me day by day, you too, would be horrified. The drunken driver is one of the greatest curses of the country today and until we can educate people to the use of liquor for the purpose for which it was intended—which is not for driving a car—then our records will continue to be appalling. A drunken driver is nothing more than a dangerous animal at large, as you would agree if you saw the results of some of our road accidents over the course of a week.

Motorists, who might agree with every word spoken by Professor Rogers, after they take a few drinks forget themselves. They leave a party, or a tavern, in no condition to drive, but drive they do.

If those same drivers, before drinking, saw some one else do that they would probably condemn the driver as a fool, or worse. There is only one safe rule about driving and drinking: "Don't do both!" No one should handle a powerful motor car if he has been drinking. Driving requires a motorist's every faculty, undimmed.

First School For Word-Deaf Children

A new and revolutionary experimental school, the first of its kind in the world designed to aid word-deaf children, has been opened at Moor House, Oxford, Surrey, England. Thirty children, who hear sounds normally but are unable to memorize them or attach meanings to them, are being taught at Moor House to understand the spoken language and express themselves in "spontaneous speech."

Most of the children are working-class boys, though all economic levels are represented. Long regarded as mentally deficient because they communicated with their fellows only by signs and incoherent noises, word-deaf children are usually of normal intelligence. Their inability to understand and memorize sounds comes from a defect in the aural memory. Thus, by the usual methods of education, they are unable to acquire normal human speech, though they are perfectly capable of hearing and understanding it. It is hoped, through special training, to remedy this defect and enable them to use a reasonable number of words. The school, initiated by private benefaction, now receives a grant from public funds.

NEW X-RAY PROCESS FOR DETECTING STAMP FORGERIES

A United Kingdom radiologist has perfected a new process which exposes stamp forgeries capable of evading detection by microscope or ultra-violet ray. It was demonstrated and explained for the first time recently to 200 delegates at the Philatelic Congress in Birmingham. The detector generates low-voltage X-rays of about 10,000 volts as compared with the normal machines used in hospitals which usually work at between 50,000 and 70,000 volts. The advantage of the low-voltage ray is that it can photograph not only the printed design on the stamp but it can also disclose any variations in the texture of the paper itself. Forgeries by repair are thus revealed by showing up differences in the original and the new paper. These are invisible under a microscope.

LONDON'S NEW TAXIS BETTER FOR DRIVER

The old fashioned taxis of London, England, with the driver half exposed to the weather, are soon to give way to new vehicles which will look like private cars. The drivers will be protected from rain and cold, and passengers will enter through wide doors. The seats will be broad and comfortable. But the new taxis are expected to retain the trick steering apparatus that permits London cabs to turn on a dime, which they must to drive in the narrow streets.

NOT MUCH LEFT

NEW BEDFORD, Mass.—While Alfred Pratt's car was parked, thieves stripped it of both headlights, one tail-light, both bumpers, the front seat, windshield wiper, eight sparkplugs, radiator cap, spare tire and one wheel.



TRPHY OF PARTRIDGE HUNT—Four-foot brush wolf he shot on a partridge hunting trip near Peterboro, Ont., is shown to Dorothy Dewdney by Dan McLauch of Peterboro. The wolf attacked one of the dogs.

Rules Are Strict For Halifax Taxi Drivers

City Is Particular About Their Clothes And Conduct

HALIFAX.—Magazines of fashion don't set the styles for Halifax cabbies—the city does.

Under new by-laws a cabbie, while operating his taxi, must wear a peaked cap, a shirt or military-type blouse, which shall be neatly adjusted at the neck, and trousers or breeches. If he wears suspenders they mustn't be visible.

For a woman cabbie—there are still a few survivors from those pressed into service during the war—the law says: "She must wear a peaked cap, a shirt or military-type blouse which shall be neatly adjusted at the neck, and trousers, breeches or skirt of dark-colored material."

In fact the by-laws prescribe almost a complete code of conduct. A cabbie, can't smoke, use "abusive or insulting language," and must not "at any railway station, steamboat wharf, place of amusement or other public place conduct himself in a noisy or disorderly manner." And he has to allow five minutes' grace for passengers while making calls.

The rules don't stop there. Cabbies must remain in or near their vehicles while awaiting fares; they "must not stray therefrom or form into groups," even when he has got rid of a fare, the driver's job isn't finished. He must search his vehicle for any property lost or left behind by his passenger and deliver it or turn it over to police.

PRaises CANADA PRODUCT

Norwegian lumbermen warmly praise the work of 50-new motor-driven saws which their government recently bought from Canada.

Some Toy Pistols Look Like Genuine Article

No Display By Merchants Might Stop Sale

The following comment was taken from the Ottawa Journal: We commend the decision of the Lions Clubs of Hull and Ottawa to discourage the sale of toy pistols, cap guns, air rifles and daggers.

A law to forbid the sale of such articles is the thought of the Lions—we wonder if a diligent campaign to persuade merchants not to display or sell such goods might not prove simpler and speedier. There is no such compulsion to life nowadays so many things are forbidden even in so good a cause. Nevertheless a law must be the answer if persuasion does not work—but persuasion might be tried first.

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police report that some toy pistols are the size and finish of the real article and not to be distinguished from the genuine in a casual view—especially if one is looking into the barrel and over it into the face of a robber.

The use of imitation guns as toys by children and youths is an initiation into the ways and weapons of gangsters, and one way or another requires to be put down. The mock bravado of the youngster with a toy pistol can have a tragic sequel, and it is not good for a boy to have in his pocket an imitation gun with which he might hold up a storekeeper or a pedestrian. The whole trend and influence of these toy pistols is evil; and robbery with a toy pistol as the weapon of intimidation is not uncommon.

The Lions Clubs of Ottawa and Hull are doing a public service in undertaking a campaign against these articles and should have the widest possible support from the police, parents and general public.

Children who in fun point toy guns at pedestrians should be promptly remonstrated with.

"IT'S NOT THE HEM—IT'S THE WAISTLINE"



—Werner in The Indianapolis Star

Suggests Grass As A Food Substitute

But Britons Show No Enthusiasm For Idea

LONDON.—Despite some gloomy predictions that Britons will have to turn to grass for their food, officials of the Food Ministry say there is little chance that the national diet will provide less than 2,300 calories daily for each citizen this winter.

"That is worked out on the worst happening all round," said one official. "It takes into account fall-downs on deliveries and other misfortunes."

Like the present estimated daily calorie consumption of 2,800, the figure is reached by dividing the total population into supplies available. This is deceptive because it takes no account of personal eating habits.

Countless housewives skip themselves to spread the household rations among their children and menfolk. A smaller group of consumers exceeds the average by filling up in restaurants.

The 2,800-calorie daily average compares with 700 to 1,100 in Germany.

Grass as a food substitute was seriously suggested to the British Association for the Advancement of Science by Professor John Desmond Bernal, who told the annual convention at Dundee:

"We can live, and probably will have to, pretty well on the kind of things we feed to cows nowadays. We have got to turn a large amount of grass into human food."

When his audience chuckled, Prof. Bernal added: "I'm perfectly serious. Grass is a thing we can most easily grow. We may well be driven to using it—and liking it—in a year or two."

It's not the first time grass has been suggested as a British diet, although wartime experiments proved that most human beings cannot digest it freely. Experiments have been made with it used as a component of sausages, and British doctors in Japanese prisoner-of-war camps managed to make an extract which had a therapeutic effect on men suffering from vitamin B deficiency.

In 1942 a British scientist estimated that under peacetime conditions grass protein could be produced for less than 1s 3d (25 cents) a pound. This compared with the 1939 cost of a pound of protein in the form of fish and cheese, both 2s 6d, milk 5s 5d, and meat 8s.

Britons who have rather reluctantly accepted rationing as part of their postwar diet, show no enthusiasm for grass, with the possible exception of 75-year-old James R. B. Branson of London, who thrives on it.

Branson collects it from bowling greens and golf courses and eats it "raw," he says. "I don't like it in boxes for winter. He advises that it be chopped up fine."

"When one is unaccustomed to grass it's difficult to eat." But once the psychological problem is overcome, the results are good."

Got Speedy Action By Brief Statement

The Empire Digest stated that in the files of the U.S.A. Navy Department reposes a letter from one Assistant Surgeon Ver Mullen, which, in its telling brevity and forcefulness, brought the instant and decisive action now lengthy and diffuse munitions committee to government circles could hope to accomplish. Assistant Surgeon Ver Mullen was an exceedingly tall officer, while skimping Penobscot, to which he was assigned, was so cramped between decks as to make life absolutely miserable for him. His reaction was simply a brief, merely a sample of his statement:

"Sir," he wrote to the Secretary of the Navy, "length of surgeon, 6 feet 4 inches; height of wardroom, 5 feet 8 inches. Respectfully, E. C. Ver Mullen, Assistant Surgeon, U.S.N."

He got his transfer.

Humming Bird Lives After Strange Collision

OTTUMWA, Iowa.—A tiny humming bird ran into a peck of trouble when it encountered the twin-engine transport of the naval air station here.

On landing, after a flight from Minneapolis, the crew found the bird unconscious, its foot wedged in the wing.

The bird was released, bedded and fed sugar and water. It recovered rapidly and has flown away.

RAISED THE BID

During a spirited auction, proceedings were momentarily halted when the auctioneer raised his hand and announced: "A gentleman in the room has just lost a wallet containing \$1,000 and for its immediate return he is offering a reward of \$250. These," followed a brief silence, then from the back of the room was heard: "250!"

SHORTAGE IN BELGIUM

BISSELKS.—Sale of cakes and pastry has been forbidden two days a week throughout Belgium because of "present difficulties in cereal supplies," the Government announced. Butcher shops also will be closed two days a week.

Best Holstein Cattle Are Bred In Canada

Visitor From Argentine Quite Sure About This

Speaking at the Brantford Champion Holstein Show, C. Alberto Lozano, editor of *Holando Argentino*, South America's leading Holstein paper, published in Buenos Aires, said, "I have inspected herds in the leading dairy countries of the world and I can tell you in all sincerity that Canadians are the best breeders of Holstein cattle in the world. Canadians are a very friendly people and I can assure you that on my return home I will be an ambassador of goodwill between our two countries."

Some months ago Mr. Lozano visited Europe to inspect the Holstein herds of England and is currently touring Canada and the United States to inspect the Holsteins of this continent. He has visited the major breeding institutions in Canada and a number in the United States and has had an opportunity to study both United States and Canadian Holsteins at the leading shows of the two countries. On his return to Argentina he plans to publish a special issue by *Holando Argentino* describing by word and picture his visit here. In addition he has taken extensive moving pictures which will be shown to agricultural audiences in Latin America.

Whitewash For Farm Buildings

Good whitewash brightens up the interior of farm buildings and is cheaply made. It also assists in disinfecting the premises before the livestock is confined for the winter. Following are several reliable recipes:

1. Dissolve 50 lb. lime in 8 gals. boiling water. Add 6 gals. hot water in 1 gal. of slaked lime and 1 lb. salt have been dissolved. Add a can of lye to every 25 gals. of mixture. Also add 1 lb. cement to every 3 gals. and stir thoroughly. A qt. of castor oil dissolved in the water instead of lye, but lye is preferable if the colour is to be kept white.

2. Put 1 bushel lump lime into a large, clean tub. Add 1 gal. of water and add 1/2 peck salt and 1/2 lb. glue, both dissolved in warm water and 3 1/2 lb. flour made into a thin paste with boiling water. Two pounds of kalmik are also added to this mixture. The addition of 1 oz. alum improves the wash but is not necessary. To prevent rust, the salt is omitted when the wall is to be whitewashed.

3. Slake 1/2 bushel lump lime with 3 gals. of water. Add 1/2 lb. glue, both dissolved in warm water and 3 1/2 lb. flour made into a thin paste with boiling water. Two pounds of kalmik are also added to this mixture. The addition of 1 oz. alum improves the wash but is not necessary. To prevent rust, the salt is omitted when the wall is to be whitewashed.

4. Rain-proof whitewash: Slake 62 lb. quicklime in 10 gals. hot water. Add 2 lb. salt and 1 lb. zinc sulphate which have been dissolved in 2 gals. water. Two pounds of kalmik are also added to this mixture. The addition of 1 oz. alum improves the wash but is not necessary. To prevent rust, the salt is omitted when the wall is to be whitewashed.

Blind Children Give Successful Play

Ten little blind boys, all of them under 10 years old, recently made their debut on the London stage. They presented their play, "The Magic Hen," at the Two Pines festival—and critics voted it "tops."

The small boys are all students of the Linden Lodge School for Blind Children in south London. Among them is eight-year-old Gustav Kon, a little Polish refugee who lost his sight in a Nazi concentration camp. The play they acted was specially written for them by one of the teachers, the senior boys at the school transcribed their parts into Braille, and the youngsters were word-perfect within a week. At rehearsal they first memorized the positions of the stage furniture and "props"; then they learned to guide their movements from each other's voices. This is one of the ways that blind children in Britain are learning to overcome their tragic handicap and live normal lives.

Frozen Waffles Will Likely Be Popular

According to the Pathfinder people who like waffles but lack the necessary iron to make their own have got a treat. They may buy frozen waffles which need only 30 seconds' heating in a toaster or hot oven.

For sale now only in New York, waffles should be a big walk-away future. They come in five flavors—golden brown, cinnamon, orange, raisin, chocolate—are packed six to a 20-cent box. The makers, Kwik-Kold Foods, Inc., also plan to put them on quick-lunch counters.

THEY ARE DIFFERENT

Arabian horses have only five lumbar vertebrae. This is one less than other breeds of horses and gives the Arabian a shorter back that is well adapted for carrying weight.

OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

LOVE FROM DADDY

By EDNA CORNELL

PEGGY McNAUGHTON gazed through the window at teen-agers at college in the school grounds. She watched the bobbing of colored head scarves and curls, and flashes of diamond socks as bare legs crossed again and again toward the hub of learning. Bicycles hurried along dirt paths. Laughter and girlish voices popped up everywhere.

Would her own small children one day step across the street into this structure of higher education? Or was Terry to make the whole thing impossible by refusing to fight the one thing which held him so securely in its grip?

Peggy turned from the window, where scrim curtains trembled against the ice-blue pane. She looked through the dinette where cigarette ashes lay on the maple table. She saw glasses standing in white rings of their own making, empty bottles with gold labels, black scuff marks on the linoleum.

Were her efforts worth while? Could a home be built on crumbling foundations?

She pussy-footed through the dinette, hating the dead ashes, the odorous bottles, the smoke-dim on the windows. She went into the living room, not wanting to remember the smashed bottle on the hearth, or its reason for being there.

She thought of marriage, and Terry. Terry with his grasshopper moods, and bantering manner; his quick smile, and rough black hair. Terry was like one of these bundles of quilt pieces, full of surprises and disappointments; of brightness and ugliness.

The old minister had quoted: "For better or for worse." And he might have added, "Because there will be a fine little son and daughter, one day."

It might help to throw ones' self across the bed and weep, as women do when seeking refuge. It might help to pick up that blue Chinese vase and send it smashing against the wall, but mothers didn't do that. They didn't seek refuge in bed, or in a bathtub either. They just went on day after day, as if all the world were a beautiful serene place, and their individual hearts were not sore and heavy with grief. Peggy knew their little tricks of camouflage. They

took extra precautions with make-up to cover up the tiny lines of strain etching firmly, oh so firmly, into youthful skin. They rubbed vaseline on eyelids to counteract the feverish shine in their eyes. And they dressed with care. Rundown heels and torn nylons were sure signs of weakness.

Peggy sank down on the mouse-grey chesterfield, cupping her chin in the pink-leather palms of her hands. The girlish chatter had ceased, and sparrows twittered unceasingly. A bus cruised by, followed by a crackling motorcycle.

In two and a half hours, Jackie and Barb would be home, chattering wildly about their day at school. To them, life was a normal, happy affair, except for those occasions when they witnessed Terry's fall from his paternal pedestal. And because they were so ready to reanimate him, the break would be difficult.

But it must be done, and done

The realization called for action. She jumped to her feet and gathered up dishes and bottles. She would brush up ashes, vacuum the rug, put flowers on the table.

She would leave the house tidy as usual, but when she went out this time the door would be locked for the first time. There would be no turning back now. She and Terry had had their last quarrel, and any further conversation would be done before a lawyer.

This was the end of Mr. Terry McNaughton and his nonsense. He could rejoice alone, and repent alone. She'd had enough!

Rushing through the house, Peggy felt light-hearted, because at last she was standing up for her rights. She would find a job, and the children must accept a few responsibilities. An apartment would be difficult to locate, but one room and a gas plate would be fine for a start.

Wings grew to her slim ankles, now that she'd made her decision. The house was tidy again. Peggy stepped into the tiled bathroom, stripped off her clothes, pushed her golden hair under a plastic cap, and turned on the shower. She held up her face and her arms, letting the warm water wash away her weariness. She rubbed herself dry, and slipped into fresh underthings, and a tailored dress. Clothes and thoughts must be practical from now on, for she would be the breadwinner!

Never again would she be hoodwinked by endearments and gifts! Terry, the Custer, had made his last stand, as far as she was concerned. She screwed pearl studs to her ear lobes, and petted the golden waves of her hair. She smoothed the blue dress over her hips, easing away untidy lines, and pinned a clip to the shoulder.

It was then she heard the foot-steps running lightly up to the door and the double chime murmuring through the house. Who on earth could that be at a critical time like this?

She opened the front door, warily, and saw the florist's boy in blue uniform. He saluted smartly and handed her the box. She took it to the kitchen and opened it on the table folding back the pink tissue. Nestling in maidenhair fern, there was a white card.

Peggy was still cradling the flowers against her face when the children burst in the back door. Jackie flung down his books, and with typical minor concern, sniffed: "Wow, eww huh? Gee, I'm hungry!" His world was still secure.

Barbara stole up soft eyed and gentle. "Oooo. Aren't they pretty, Mom?" Then her blue eyes mirrored concern and anguish. Her lips trembled slightly. "Mommy, she whispered, "you're crying!"

Peggy swallowed with difficulty. She looked at her daughter's anxious little face, blurry through tears. "Crying? Oh, no, Honey. You see these flowers are still damp with dew. I just got a little water on my face."

"Are those flowers little kings wrapped in ruby velvet, and sparkling with diamonds? You told me that once."

"These are little messengers from the king."

"You look so pretty, Mommy," Barb said, fascinated.

"Do I, dear? I guess that's because I want to look extra nice when Daddy comes home tonight," softly said Peggy, treasuring the card from the box:

"Love from Daddy."

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SASKATCHEWAN FARMERS EARN \$3,000,000 IN U.S.

The 2,100 men who went from Saskatchewan with 412 combine units to help harvest the United States wheat crop this summer earned more than \$3,000,000. President George Wright of the United Farmers of Canada, Saskatchewan section, states:

HITLER'S "GRAVE" TO BE BLOWN UP

BERLIN.—The air-raid bunker in Berlin's chancellery, believed to have been the scene of Hitler's death, is to be blown up on orders of Russian military authorities.



TO CONSERVE U.S. CURRENCY—Capital goods imported from the U.S. will be determined by Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, (left), as the full details of the plans to conserve U.S. currency is implemented by the government. Hon. Douglas G. Abbott, (right), as minister of finance, announced the most inclusive revision of our export and import regulations ever attempted in Canadian history. Mr. Abbott said that though our production is high, the "state of the rest of the world" forced a measure of austerity upon us.

Western Briefs

SASKATCHEWAN LANDING, Sask.—The rural council of this prairie village is considering the use of mine detectors to locate buried canisters.

BANFF, Alta.—His feet frozen while riding a freight train through the mountains from the West Coast to Lake Louise, David Aire, 16, of Stenon, Sask., was brought to hospital here by R.C.M.P. Officials feared it might be necessary to amputate both feet.

WINNIPEG.—Seven Devon clove wood sheep, hardy beasts developed on Devon Hills, have been sent to Canada where their adaptability to Canadian conditions will be tested at the University of Manitoba farm, Winnipeg.

VERMILION, Alta.—Donald Taylor of Vermilion, Alta., was re-elected president of the Canadian Postmasters association here at the conclusion of a three-day meeting of the dominion executive held at Ottawa.

WINNIPEG.—All Alberta and Saskatchewan bread wheat with a favorable freight differential will be channelled to Vancouver for winter export, the Canadian wheat board announced. The order came as a prelude to the closing of the St. Lawrence.

REGINA.—It's no longer surprising when women invade the realm of men but—just for the record—another stronghold has gone by the boards in Saskatchewan. It was reported at the annual Veterinary Association of Saskatchewan convention in Regina that two women veterinarians are practicing in the province. They are Dr. Jean Morgan and Dr. Althea Burton, both of Saskatchewan.

CLIMAX, Sask.—O. B. Onerheim canvassed John Goodman, a farmer, for a donation to the new memorial hospital.

"Well," said Mr. Goodman, "I have a few coppers at home if you want to take them."

Next day Mr. Goodman arrived with his coppers, and with the help of the bank staff the 3,160 pennies were counted and a donation of \$31.60 credited to Mr. Goodman.

PEGGY



THE TILLERS



MR. TILLER! COME QUICK!



U.S. Farmers To Boost Grain Output

Increase Needed To Provide Good Share Of Food For Hungry Nations

WASHINGTON.—The government called on U.S. farmers to produce about 9,000,000 more acres of grain crops next year than were harvested this year.

Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson announced the national production goal of 356,000,000 acres for 1948. The goal included 286,000,000 acres of cultivated crops and 60,000,000 acres of hay.

Anderson said the suggested goals would require a "heavy drain on our already strained soil resources." But that is inevitable, he said, "if this nation is to provide a good share of the food needed so desperately by hungry nations abroad."

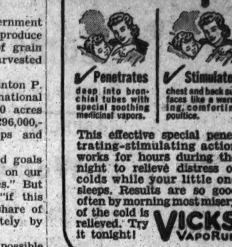
"Farmers must take all possible precautions to guard against irreparable damage to the land," Anderson said. "In the years to come there will be an urgent need for greatly accelerated conservation."

While the grain goals remained high, reductions were suggested in the numbers of grain-consuming livestock. Next year's goal for production of poultry and eggs, pigs and cattle were far below the wartime level but still slightly higher than average for five pre-war years.

In the Franco-Prussian war, besieged Parisians moved 88 persons and more than 4,000,000 letters out of Paris by balloon.

The temperature on Neptune is estimated to be about -400 degrees below zero.

Relieves Child's Cold As He Sleeps



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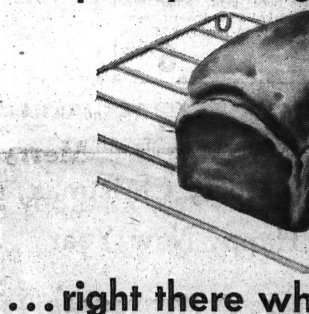
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LOCALS

Miss Ethel Murphy was taken ill suddenly on Friday last and an emergency operation for appendicitis was performed on Saturday morning at the Hardisty hospital. We hope to have Ethel back with us soon and well enough to enjoy the Christmas season.

We understand that the famous Billy Rose was injured last week a few miles west of Irma. We wonder if he had heard of the Irma Curlers and was on his way to challenge some of our local knights of the broom when this mishap befell him.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ramsay at the Mannville hospital on Tuesday, December 16th, a daughter.

On the evening of Thursday last, Mrs. Hager and Mrs. M. T. Knudson, on behalf of the Irma Ladies Aid, presented Mrs. E. Elford with a gold locket as a token of appreciation for her work with that society.

The Irma United Church will hold its annual Sunday School concert on Monday, December 22. A special collection will be taken at this time for Woods Christian Home. The concert will start at 8 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Elford and family moved to their new home in Edmonton last weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Elford had been residents in Irma for over twenty five years and have played an important part in community and business life here. We wish them every success and happiness in their new home.

The Irma stores look very gay these days and Christmas trees are being carried home in all directions. Our recent snowfall finishes the picture.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Glasgow, formerly Aletha Knudson, at the Royal Alexandra hospital on Thursday, December 11th, a daughter, Aletha Margaret.

Mr. H. C. Rodewoldt is a business visitor in the city this week. Mr. Wm. Stewart is a patient in the Wainwright hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Brown are the parents of a fine baby daughter born last week in Mannville hospital.

Miss Emmie Oracheskie of the Royal Jubilee hospital, Victoria, is enjoying a visit at her home, north of Kinsella.

Curling has been in full swing here for the past two weeks. The Irma rock sliders and broom washers are as enthusiastic as ever and the mixed draw seems to be working very well. There are quite a few beginners in the club this year but from the progress these are making they may soon make some of the older curlers look to their laurels.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Symington spent last weekend in the city.

We would like to extend hearty Christmas and New Year's greetings to all our Irma residents who are holidaying at various points in the U.S. and England and to all our other readers scattered all the way from Maguire at Yellowknife N.W.T. to Mr. and Mrs. L. Pongo at Szolnok, Hungary.

"O Holy Child of Bethlehem Descend to us we pray, Cast out our sin and enter in, Be born in us to-day.

We hear the Christmas angels The great glad tidings tell; O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emanuel."

The Irma Ladies Rest Room is now open daily from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. excepting Sundays.

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Mr. Arthur with reference to the repair work on the 303 motor grader to this date be approved. Cd.

Arthur—That the 303 motor grader be put into A1 shape without delay. Cd.

Smale—That Mr. Arthur be a committee with power to act with reference to purchase of an air compressor for use in the municipal garage. Cd.

Sutherland—That the paysheets amounting to \$7,414.82 be passed and paid when verified by the councillor concerned. Cd.

Taylor—That the meeting adjourn. Cd.

M.D. WAINWRIGHT MINUTES

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Arthur—That this council order fifty sets of blades for the motor graders. Cd.

Arthur—That a second vice be purchased at a cost of \$19.80 for use in the municipal garage. Cd.

Archibald—That the secretary be empowered to take from the 1947 estimated expenditures not used at December 30, 1947, and place same in the public works item if necessary to offset any other expenditures. Cd.

Archibald—That the council accept the report of Mr. Arthur as to the electrical changes at the municipal garage, and that Mr. Arthur continue as a committee with power to act. Cd.

Arthur—That Division 7 be authorized to purchase three rolls of snow fence at \$13.00 per 100 ft. roll from B. Long of Irma for the use of that division. Cd.

Taylor—That the public works committee be asked to visit the municipal garage periodically while repair work is in progress. Cd.

Arthur—That the secretary write the Town of Vermilion, Village of Viking and other villages and towns that the 303 motor grader is for sale at a price of \$5,000.00. Cd.

Taylor—That this council endeavor to keep main market roads free from snow this winter, and no other snow ploughing accounts will be recognized by the council. Cd.

Archibald—That the action of



As we draw near the close of another year may we extend to you and yours our grateful appreciation for your co-operation throughout the year. To you and yours we extend Christmas greetings.

Management and Staff of

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Greetings

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And while we wish of these and those,
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May you prosper from Spring to Fall
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8:45—Music for Sunday

9:00—Christian Faith

9:30—Allan Roth

10:00—Sunday Morning at Home